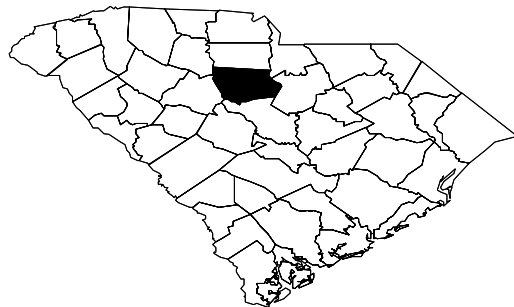




# Diabetes In FAIRFIELD County, 2005



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## Impact of Diabetes in the United States

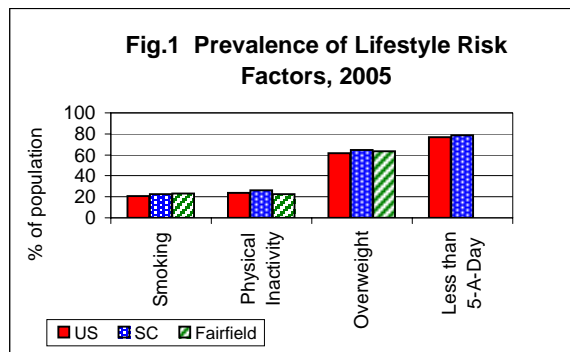
- Diabetes affects more than 23 million Americans and contributes to almost 234,000 deaths a year.
- Diabetes is becoming more common in the United States. From 1980 through 2007, the number of Americans with diabetes increased from 5.6 million to 17.9 million
- The direct and indirect costs of diabetes in the U.S. were nearly \$174 billion in 2007.
- 72,507 people died of diabetes in the U.S. in 2006.

## Diabetes in South Carolina

- Approximately 332,000 adults in South Carolinians are diagnosed with diabetes. African Americans have twice the prevalence than Whites.
- The total direct costs of hospitalizations and emergency room visits were over \$8.5 billion in 2005.
- Diabetes is the seventh leading cause of death in South Carolina, claiming 1,183 lives in 2005.

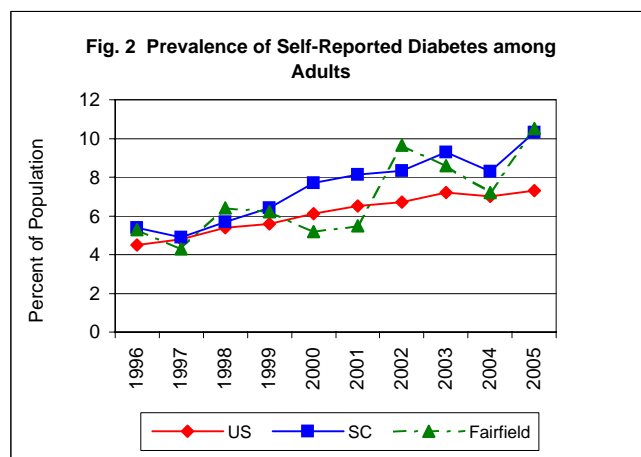
## Behavioral Risk Factors

- Major behavioral risk factors, such as overweight, physical inactivity and unhealthy diet, are partially responsible for development of type 2 diabetes (Fig 1).



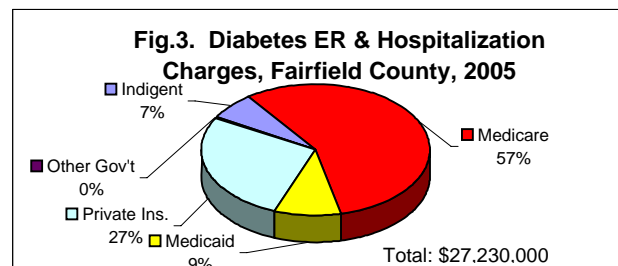
## Diabetes Prevalence

- An estimated 1919 adults (10.5% of adults) in Fairfield County suffer annually from Diabetes (Fig 2).



## Hospital and Emergency Room Discharges

- In 2005, there were 46 hospitalizations for Diabetes in Fairfield County for all ages.
- There were an additional 526 hospital discharges with diabetes-related conditions in Fairfield County.
- In 2005, there were 94 emergency room (ER) visits for diabetes as the primary diagnosis, among which 65 (69%) were by African-American patients.
- There were 731 ER visits for diabetes as a related condition.



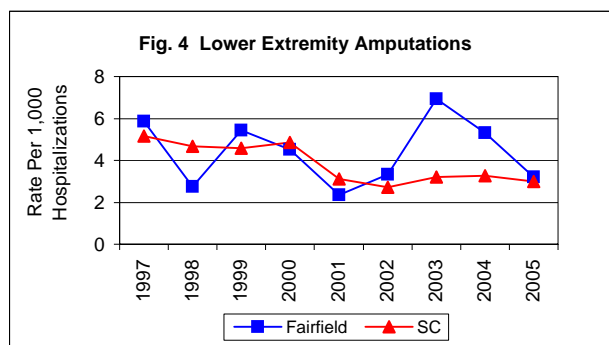
- Medicare paid for 57% of the ER and Hospitalization charges for Fairfield County (Fig 3).

## Complications

- Almost all patients (97%) hospitalized in SC for diabetes had complications in 2005; 21% of hospitalizations in Fairfield County (Table 1).
- In 2005, nearly three-quarters of people in SC with diabetes had hypertension, compared with only one-fourth of people without diabetes.

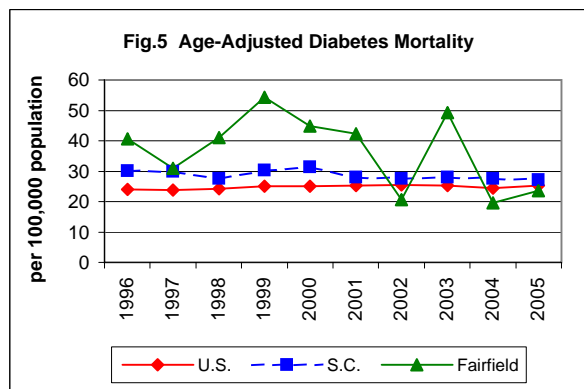
Diabetes Complication	Hospital Admissions	Percent of Diabetes Hospital Admissions	Total costs
Renal Failure	85	15%	\$1,999,700
Lower Extremity Amputation	10	2%	\$279,900
Keto-acidosis	17	3%	\$164,300
Retinopathy	8	1%	\$458,500

- In 2005, more than 60% of people with diabetes have high cholesterol.
- In 2005, the rates for lower extremity amputations among blacks in SC were four times the rates among whites.

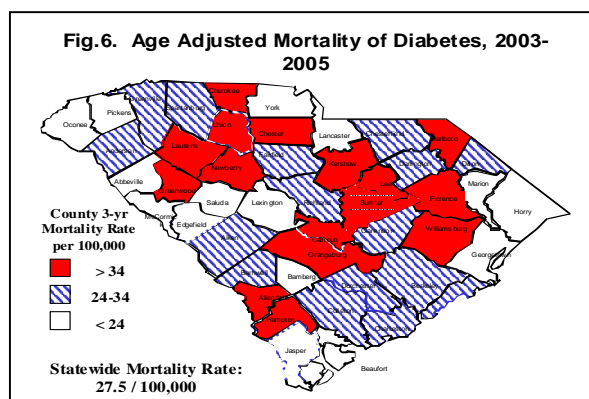


## Mortality

- Diabetes is the eighth leading cause of death in Fairfield County.
- A total of 6 people in Fairfield County died from diabetes in 2005.



- The Fairfield County mortality rate was 23.6/100,000 in 2005, below the state average.
- Fairfield County ranks #19 in diabetes mortality in South Carolina 2003-2005.



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### Data Sources:

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